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CLERK:      Mr. President, I have Enrollment and Review amendments first of all. (AM7224, Legislative Journal page 1513.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:    Senator Erdman, you're recognized to open or to...for a motion to adopt those amendments. We're not going to debate them. Senator.

SENATOR ERDMAN:    Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 1115.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:    The question before the body is the adoption of...

SENATOR ERDMAN:    I can open on the E & R amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:    ...the E & R amendments. All in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. They're adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:      Mr. President, I have a series of amendments to LB 1115. Senator Chambers has a priority motion and that would be to return the bill to the Judiciary Committee, recommit.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:    Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on that motion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Aguilar knows that I'm opposed to this bill. I made it clear on General File that I'm opposed to it. But I wanted to give him a chance at his bill which was denied to me and others whose bills followed mine. But I had told him that I have concerns about the fairness with which the drug court in Douglas County is being administered. The fact that there are no criteria in this bill and there is a study currently underway under the auspices of the Nebraska Supreme Court. I am not in favor of creating a new layer of the judiciary in the way that this is being done this session. There has not been adequate work done on this. It has changed drastically from the form it was in, which was worse, to what it is now because Senator Aguilar, to his credit, believed in the bill and was scrambling around to try to meet the objections